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First Named Inventor: DODSWORTH, ROBERT S.  
Application No.: 10/784860 Confirmation No.: 9435  
Filed: February 23, 2004  
Title: ETCHED DIELECTRIC FILM IN HARD DISK DRIVES

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are as follows:

- ☒ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) - Extension within first month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(2) - Extension within second month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(3) - Extension within third month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(4) - Extension within fourth month
- ☐ 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(5) - Extension within fifth month

**Fees**

- ☐ Please charge the fee provided in 37 CFR § 1.17(a) to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

One copy of this sheet marked duplicate is also enclosed.

- ☒ Any required fee will be paid at the time of EFS-Web submission.
- ☒ If necessary, charge any required fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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